IN THE CLAIMS:

regions; and

Do not enter ADD Please amend Claims 42, 49, and 50 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1 to 41. (Cancelled)

42. (Currently Amended) A photoelectric conversion device comprising: an electron acceptive charge transfer region; an electron donative charge transfer region; and a light absorption region existing between the charge transfer regions,

two electrode regions between which the charge transfer regions and the light absorption region are positioned,

wherein the light absorption region is a semiconductor, and either of the charge transfer regions is a semiconductor acicular crystal region comprising an aggregate of acicular crystals, and

wherein the acicular crystals comprise a metal oxide.

- 43. (Cancelled)
- 44. (Previously Presented) A photoelectric conversion device according to claim 42, wherein the metal oxide is titanium oxide, zinc oxide or tin oxide.